

2012 Missouri Child Care and Preschool Immunization Requirements

Young children are more susceptible to serious complications associated with certain diseases and have different immunization requirements than older children.

The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) allows a four-day grace period (four or fewer days prior to the recommended interval or age) so public, private, parochial day care centers, preschools or nursery school attendees may receive immunizations up to four days before they are due.

Vaccines should be administered according to the current ACIP schedule. The ACIP Recommended Immunization Schedule for Persons Aged 0-6 Years is available at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedules/child-schedule.htm.

Please note - Although not required for attending child care or preschool facilities, the ACIP recommends all children be appropriately immunized with rotavirus, influenza, and hepatitis A vaccine.

The following table indicates immunizations required for children enrolled in or attending child care facilities and preschools in Missouri. This table is for use in completing the child care immunization report, and is **NOT** a recommended schedule. This table should only be used to determine whether a child is in compliance with Missouri child care regulations.

VACCINES REQUIRED FOR CHILD CARE AND PRESCHOOL ATTENDANCE	DOSES REQUIRED BY THE TIME THE CHILD IS			
	3 Months	5 Months	7 Months	19 Months and older
DTaP/DT	1	2	3	4+
IPV (Polio)	1	2	2	3+
Hib*	1	1+	2+	3+
Hepatitis B	1+	2	2+	3+
PCV** (Pneumococcal)	1	2	3	4+
MMR				1
Varicella				1

(+: If a child has been immunized using the ACIP timing recommendations, he/she could have more than the required doses for child care.)

***Hib:** The number of doses a child needs to complete the series depends on the age the child begins the series.

1st dose given

Number of doses needed

7-11 months	3 (4 weeks between dose 1 and dose 2 with a booster dose at 12-15 months)
12-14 months	2 (8 weeks between dose 1 and dose 2)
15-59 months	1

****PCV:** The number of doses a child needs to complete the series depends on the age the child begins the series.

1st dose given

Number of doses needed

7-11 months	3 (4 weeks between dose 1 and dose 2 with a booster dose at 12-15 months)
12-23 months	2 (8 weeks between dose 1 and dose 2)
24-59 months	1

